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The originally submitted declaration of the above-identified reissue application failed to identify the foreign application for patent on which priority is claimed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.55, specifically, to Swedish Application No. 990166, filed on January 20, 1999. Applicant requests that the unintentionally delayed claim of priority to Swedish Application No. 990166, filed on January 20, 1999, be accepted.

1. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the surcharge fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(t) in the amount of \$1,370 to Deposit Account No. 03-1740.

2. The entire delay between the date the claim was due and the date the claim was filed was unintentional.

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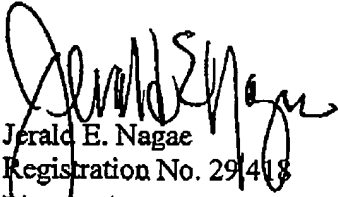
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